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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 9, line 14, with the following paragraph:

The conditional access unit 240 includes a coder/decoder (codec) unit 340. The codec unit 340 is coupled to the processor unit 330 via line 335. The codec unit 340 receives the key and the program data off of line 335. The codec unit 340 receives information regarding a packet identifier that identifies entitlement control messages in the program data. The codec unit 340 descrambles control words in the entitlement management controls messages with the key and applies the code word to descramble the content. The codec unit 340 transmits the program data with the content in clear format on line 345.